# How to Target the Latino Market



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# **Population Summary**

- 2003: 40 million
   Hispanics/Latinos living in the US (14% of population)
- Growing 4 times faster than the total population
- 2007: Largest minority group
- High buying power

#### Latinos in Nebraska

- Over 125,000 in Nebraska
- By 2025, 1 in 3 Nebraskans would be Hispanic
- Hispanics own over 1,400 small businesses in Nebraska
- In 2007 1 out of 10 small businesses in NE is Latino owned

#### Media Preferences

- On average, Hispanics watch more than 4 hours of Spanish TV a day
- About an hour reading the paper & listening to the radio
- The average Hispanic is exposed to more than 5 hours of Spanish language media per day

#### **Direct Mail**

- Possible complexity
  - -Translation Transliteration
  - -Cultural differences among Latinos
  - -Acculturation & product understanding
- Hispanics only receive about 20 mail pieces per year (compared to the average of 300)
- Hispanic direct mail response rates are typically between 3% to 15%

### **Unaccultured Hispanics**

- Cultural Loyalist
  - -Foreign born
  - Recent arrival
  - Spanishdependant
  - Traditional values

- Cultural Embracer
  - -Foreign born
  - Resident
  - Spanish preferred
  - Aspirations

# **Accultured Hispanics**

- Cross Cultured
  - -US born
  - First generation
  - Bilingual &bicultural
  - Fashioned
  - Keep touch with roots

- Cultural Integrator
  - -US born
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> generation
  - Englishpreferred
  - Proud to beLatinos
  - Influential

# Spanish or English

#### Spanish

- 66% of latinos prefer Spanish
- 85% speak Spanish
- Advertising to
   Latinos in Spanish
   is more effective
- Only 1/3 speak mostly or only English

#### English

- Generally, Hispanics
   prefer business related
   documents written in
   English ("genuine")
- US born Latino youth are 46% English dominant, 47 bilingual & only 7% Spanish dominant

# Why Nebraska?

- Economic growth & higher rates of employment attracted Latinos to nontraditional states
- Hispanic population growth outpaced non-Hispanic population growth in 80 out of 93 counties

# Do you want this market?

- Personnel
- Marketing materials
- Products
- Outreach
- Location
- Cultural Competency

#### Resources

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- www.pewhispanic.org
- www.mcdonaldmarketing.com
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